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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

(Transmittal Nos. 13-34)

36(b)(1) Arms Sales Notification

**AGENCY:** Department of Defense, Defense Security Cooperation Agency.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Defense is publishing the unclassified text of a section 36(b)(1) arms sales notification. This is published to fulfill the requirements of section 155 of Public Law 104-164 dated July 21, 1996.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. B. English, DSCA/DBO/CFM, (703) 601-3740.

The following is a copy of a letter to the Speaker of the House of Representatives,

Transmittal 13-34 with attached transmittal and policy justification.

Dated: June 13, 2013.

Aaron Siegel, Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.



## DEFENSE SECURITY COOPERATION AGENCY

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JUN 7 2013

The Honorable John A. Boehner Speaker of the House U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended, we are forwarding herewith Transmittal No. 13-34, concerning the Department of the Army's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to Thailand for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$77 million. After this letter is delivered to your office, we plan to issue a press statement to notify the public of this proposed sale.

Sincerely,

William E. Landay III Vice Admiral, USN

Director

Enclosures:

1. Transmittal

2. Policy Justification



## Transmittal No. 13-34

Notice of Proposed Issuance of Letter of Offer Pursuant to Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended

- (i) Prospective Purchaser: Thailand
- (ii) Total Estimated Value:

Major Defense Equipment\* \$45 million
Other \$32 million
TOTAL \$77 million

- (iii) <u>Description and Quantity or Quantities of Articles or Services under Consideration for Purchase:</u> 6 UH-72A Lakota Helicopters, spare and repair parts, support equipment, communication equipment, publications and technical documentation, Aviation Mission Planning Station, personnel training and training equipment, U.S. Government and contractor technical and logistics support services, and other related elements of logistics support.
- (iv) Military Department: Army (UAK)
- (v) Prior Related Cases, if any: None
- (vi) Sales Commission, Fee, etc., Paid, Offered, or Agreed to be Paid: None
- (vii) <u>Sensitivity of Technology Contained in the Defense Article or Defense</u> Services Proposed to be Sold: None
- (viii) Date Report Delivered to Congress: 7 June 2013

<sup>\*</sup> as defined in Section 47(6) of the Arms Export Control Act.

## POLICY JUSTIFICATION

## <u>Thailand – UH-72A Lakota Helicopters</u>

The Government of Thailand has requested a possible sale of 6 UH-72A Lakota Helicopters, spare and repair parts, support equipment, communication equipment, publications and technical documentation, Aviation Mission Planning Station, personnel training and training equipment, U.S. Government and contractor technical and logistics support services, and other related elements of logistics support. The estimated cost is \$77 million.

This proposed sale will contribute to the foreign policy and national security of the United States, by helping to improve the security of a friendly country which has been, and continues to be, an important force for political stability and economic progress in Southeast Asia.

This proposed sale will contribute to Thailand's goal to upgrade and modernize its military forces with a new light utility helicopter capable of meeting requirements for rotary-wing transportation, while further enhancing greater interoperability between Thailand the U.S., and among other allies. Thailand will have no difficulty absorbing these helicopters into its armed forces.

The proposed sale of this equipment and support will not alter the basic military balance in the region.

The principal contractor will be EADS North America, in Herndon, Virginia. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will require U.S. Government or contractor representatives to travel to Thailand for a period of five weeks for equipment deprocessing/fielding, system checkout and new equipment training and a Contractor Furnished Service Representative (CFSR) for a period of one year.

There will be no adverse impact on US defense readiness as a result of this proposed sale.

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